

HOUSE RESOLUTION 338

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Terry Gannon on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding individual is Terry Gannon who, having served with distinction throughout his twenty-nine year tenure as an educator, coach, and principal with the Cannon County School System, will soon begin a much deserved retirement from Auburntown Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Woodbury High School, Mr. Gannon received his bachelor's degree and master's degree from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, beginning his illustrious career in 1981 at Cannon County High School, he served with the utmost probity as a teacher and the head coach of the boys' basketball team until 1990; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Mr. Gannon led the Cannon County High School boys' basketball team to a state basketball tournament appearance, the only state tournament appearance in the school's modern history; and

WHEREAS, recognized for his exemplary coaching skills, he was named District 8 AA Coach of the Year and Region 4 AA Coach of the Year in 1985; and

WHEREAS, leaving Cannon County High School in 1990, Mr. Gannon served with the highest integrity and character as principal of Eastside Elementary School for eighteen years, earning the respect and admiration of his colleagues, faculty, parents, and students alike for the exceptional quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, since leaving Eastside Elementary, he has been teaching at Auburntown Elementary School for the last two years; and

WHEREAS, in his role as educator, coach, and principal, Mr. Gannon has helped countless students develop their talents and academic abilities by initiating numerous activities designed to enhance their educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the good people of the Cannon County School System have recognized and appreciated Mr. Gannon's excellence as an educator and role model for young people since he began his teaching career twenty-nine years ago; and

WHEREAS, as a devoted member of Pleasant Ridge Church of Christ, Terry Gannon is known for his solid Christian belief, his service and love, and his role as a reservoir of faith and outreach to the people of his community; and

WHEREAS, his many esteemed accomplishments aside, Terry Gannon is most appreciative of the love and support of his wife of twenty-seven years, Kim, and his son and daughter-in-law, Todd and Tiffany Gannon; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that schools are at the heart of their communities, Mr. Gannon stalwartly upheld his mission of educating, empowering, and encouraging all students to achieve their maximum potential; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Terry Gannon has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers and students alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Terry Gannon our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.